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COUNTRY <u>East Germany</u>	REPORT	
TOPIC <u>Military Information from the Area of KVP Korps Sued</u>		25X1
EVALUATION <u>[redacted]</u>	PLACE OBTAINED <u>[redacted]</u>	25X1
DATE OF CONTENT <u>[redacted]</u>		
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REFERENCES <u>[redacted]</u>		
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REMARKS <u>[redacted]</u>		
This is UNEVALUATED Information <u>[redacted]</u>		
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1. On 8 June 1954, the KVP Kaserne on Kepler Strasse in Gera quartered an estimated 2,000 men. About 230 men were observed training with infantry weapons in the area around the installation.<sup>1</sup>
2. At about 0830 on 8 June 1954, 80 to 90 KVPs were seen constructing a bridge downstream from Weissenfels between Herrenmühle and the railroad underpass to Burgwerben. Three large pneumatic boats had already been floated into position and work on another four pneumatic boats was under way.<sup>2</sup>
3. On 29 May 1954, trucks [redacted] entered Camp Nochten through a gate which was located about 500 meters west of the main entrance of the installation. The soldiers wore blue collar patches. The ground showed the imprints of numerous tank tracks. Camp Nochten was apparently unoccupied.
4. Residents of Nochten said that Camp Nochten quartered a KVP tank unit.<sup>3</sup>
5. On 8 June, garages were under construction at the rear of the KVP installation on Kuehnauer Strasse in Dessau. Most vehicles were stored in tents up to that time.<sup>4</sup>
6. On 8 June, the engineer training camp on Stieglitzer Berg (hill), northeast of Dessau, which was established by the unit located on Junkers Strasse, was guarded by KVP sentries.<sup>5</sup>

1. [redacted] Comment. The installation quarters the bulk of the 3d Inf Regt of Division Erfurt. Source overestimated the occupation of the installation, which does not exceed 1,200 to 1,400 soldiers.

2. [redacted] Comment. This engineer unit cannot be identified.

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3. [REDACTED] Comment. It is believed that the Weisswasser troop training camp was used only by minor tank units including units from Spremberg.

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4. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] this installation is occupied by an KVP officer school where platoon and company leaders are given advanced training. A previous report by another source stated that garages containing a total of 30 twin compartments were under construction in this installation (Dessau II). [REDACTED]

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